5. The Residents at Hyderabad and in Mysore, Travancore and Cochin and the Chief Commissioner of Coorg will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

A. G. CARDEW,
Secretary to Government.

To the Director, Government Cinchona Plantations.
" the Accountant-General.
" the Surgeon-General.
" the Postmaster-General.
" Collectors of all districts.
" the Superintendent, Government Press.
" Political Agents for Sandur and Banganapalle (through Political Department).
" the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).

NOTIFICATION.

It is hereby notified, for general information, that the sale of seven-grain quinine powders by Revenue officials and postmasters in this Presidency, and at the Imperial post offices in Coorg and in the Native States of Hyderabad, Mysore, Travancore, Cochin, Sandur and Banganapalle will be discontinued on the 15th October 1910 and in their place ten-grain powders will be issued for sale at the rate of 3 pies per powder from the same date. The following amended rules for the sale of quinine at post offices are published for general information in supersession of those published on pages 1305 and 1306 of Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette* dated the 20th December 1904 :—

Rules for the sale of Government Quinine at Post Offices.

1. Government quinine manufactured at the Nedivattam factory will be kept for sale at all post offices in the Madras Presidency (with the exception of those noted in the margin) and in Coorg and also at all the Imperial post offices in the Native States of Sandur, Banganapalle, Cochin, Hyderabad, Travancore and Mysore.

Post offices in the district of Madras and in the towns of the Chingleput District which are suburbs of Madras town.

Note.—It must be understood that these rules do not apply to post offices in the Native State of Pudukottai.

2. The Director of the Government Cinchona Plantations, the Nilgiris, will arrange for the supply of the quinine direct to each post office in small packets, each containing 100 ten-grain powders, to be sold at the rate of 3 pies per powder.

3. The amount to be accounted for by the post office on each packet will be Rs. 1-5-0 and the 4 annas in excess which will be realized by the sale of the 100 powders will be the vendor's commission on the sales effected by him.

4. Seven packets each containing 100 powders will be issued to each of the head and sub-offices in the circle and to each of the branch offices in the Shimoga division and the value of those packets, *viz.*, Rs. 9-3-0, at the rate of Rs. 1-5-0 per packet, is to be considered as a permanent advance for quinine in those offices. Three packets each containing 100 powders will be issued to each of the other branch offices in the circle and the value of those packets, *viz.*, Rs. 3-15-0, at the rate of Rs. 1-5-0 per packet, is to be considered as a permanent advance for quinine in those offices.

5. All head and sub-postmasters in the circle and branch postmasters in the Shimoga division must replenish their stock of quinine as soon as they have sold five packets by indenting on the Director of the Government Cinchona Plantations, Ootacamund, while other branch postmasters must replenish their stock in the same manner as soon as they have sold two packets. It will be the postmaster's duty to see that his stock is regularly replenished in time before the supply is exhausted.

6. Each indent for a fresh supply of quinine must be accompanied by a remittance made by money order for the value of the packets indented for, at the rate of Rs. 1-5-0 per packet, less the money order commission on the total value of the remittance.

7. Any quantity of quinine may be indented for at a time, provided that the indent is for not less than five packets of 100 powders each in the case of post offices whose permanent advance is Rs. 9-3-0, and not less than two packets of 100 powders each in the case of post offices whose permanent advance is Rs. 3-15-0, and that it does not include a fraction of a packet.

8. The indent for a fresh supply of quinine must always be written on the coupon of the money order, in the form given below:—

"Please send by return post two, five or six packets (as the case may be) of quinine powders."

_____Name.

_____Postmaster.

Date_____ Name stamp.

The amount remitted as well as the commission for the money order should be met by the postmaster from the sale proceeds of quinine held as a permanent advance. The money order should be made payable to the Director of the Government Cinchona Plantations, Ootacamund. The postmaster should clearly impress the name stamp of his office at the bottom of the coupon containing the indent in order that the name of the office to which the quinine is to be forwarded may be readily ascertained.

9. When the charge of an office is transferred, the full amount of the permanent advance of 700 powders of quinine in the case of head and sub-offices, and branch offices in the Shimoga division and of 300 powders of quinine in the case of the other branch offices, must be made over to the relieving official and it may be either in quinine or in cash or partly in quinine and partly in cash; but for every one anna and nine pies thus made over in cash, 4 pies may be deducted (being the commission on the sale of 7 powders) from the permanent advance. No commission is allowed on the sale of any number less than 7 powders. The transfer of the permanent advance in the manner described above on account of quinine must be entered at the foot of the charge report forwarded to the Superintendent.

10. Communications on the subject to the Director of the Government Cinchona Plantations, the Nilgiris, may be sent on postal service, but, with this exception, everything relating to the transmission of quinine and the remittance of money to pay for it will be at the charge of the Government Cinchona Department.

11. The packets containing the powders of quinine must not be exposed to damp, as otherwise the quinine may deteriorate.

12. Superintendents and Inspectors when verifying the accounts of first class head offices and inspecting other post offices authorized to vend quinine should examine the permanent advance for quinine and see that it is correct. They should also make careful inquiries as to the manner in which the instructions conveyed in rule 11 are carried out and make notes in their verification or inspection reports on the progress of the scheme and of any matters of interest or importance in connection therewith.

No. G. 6412-57—G. M. 282-09-2, DATED BANGALORE, 31ST MAY 1910.

ORDER THEREON.—Ordered that the foregoing order of the Government of Madras be communicated to the Senior Surgeon and Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore in continuation of Government Order No. G. 958-998—G. M. 39-06-2, dated 3rd August 1906, and that copies thereof be forwarded to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts and Heads of Departments.

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Officiating Secretary to Government,
General and Revenue Departments.

To—The Senior Surgeon with the Government of Mysore.
The Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of Mysore.
The other Heads of Departments.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.